Introduced by Senator Migden

February 17, 2005

An act to amend Section 44262 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 404, as introduced, Migden. Teachers: eminence credential.

Existing law authorizes the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, upon the recommendation of the governing board of a school district, to issue an eminence credential, as provided, to any person who has achieved eminence in a field of endeavor commonly taught in the public schools.

This bill would instead require the commission, upon the recommendation of the governing board of a school district, to issue an eminence credential to such person, provided that the person has met the guidelines set forth by the governing board of the school district.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 44262 of the Education Code is 2 amended to read:
- 3 44262. (a) Upon the recommendation of the governing board
- 4 of a school district, the commission-may shall issue an eminence
- 5 credential to any person who has achieved eminence in a field of
- 6 endeavor taught or service practiced in the public schools of
- 7 California, provided that the person has met the guidelines set
- 8 forth by the governing board of the school district. This

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1 credential shall authorize teaching or the performance of services 2 in the public schools *of the school district* in the subject or 3 subject area or service and at the level or levels approved by the 4 commission as designated on the credential.

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(b) An eminence credential—so issued by the commission pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be issued initially for a two-year period and may be renewed for a three-year period by the commission upon the request of the governing board of the school district. Upon completion of the three-year renewal period, the holder of an eminence credential shall be eligible upon application for a professional clear teaching credential.